## MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS OF MARYLAND OF OCTOBER 28TH, 1938.

The Board of Public Works met in the office of the Comptroller, Union Trust Building, Baltimore, on October 28th, 1938.

Present:

Wm. S. Gordy, Jr., Comptroller. Hooper S. Miles, Treasurer.

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The Board approved an amendment submitted by the <u>University of Maryland</u>, making adjustments in its budget for the fiscal year ended September 30th, 1938, due to the failure of receipts from the tax on liquor to gratify the appropriation made by the Legislature out of such receipts to the University.

The Board approved an amendment to the budget of the Board of of State Aid and Charities, for the fiscal year 1938, to adjust the accounts of the Board for that year.

The following amendments were approved University of Md., State Board of Agriculture, dated September 30th, 1938,
applicable to the fiscal year 1938, involving increases of \$50,671.86,
with decreases aggregating a similar amount.

Maryland State Police, dated September 30th, 1938, applicable to the fiscal
year 1938, involving increases of \$35,665.71, with decreases aggregating a
similar amount.

State Board of Motion Picture Censors, dated October 15th, 1938, applicable to the fiscal year 1939, with increases aggregating \$75.00 and
decreases in like amount.

State Auditor, dated September 30th, 1938, applicable to the fiscal year
1938, involving increases of \$600.00, with decreases aggregating a
similar amount.

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a letter from Doctor Albert S. Cook, State Superintendent of Schools, dated October 20th, 1938, giving the Board information as to certain salary increases and adjustments, which were recommended by Doctor Cook and the Presidents of the Several State Teacher's Colleges, for the fiscal year 1939.

The recommendations made by Doctor Cook in his letter of October 20th, were approved by the Board, with instructions to submit amendments to cover the changes required in the School Budgets.

The Secretary submitted to the Board a letter received from Doctor H. C. Byrd, President, <u>University of Maryland</u>, dated October 20th, 1938, replying to inquiry made by the Board as to salaries of employees of the University for the fiscal year 1939, as requested by the Board at a meeting on October 5th, 1938.

The Board reviewed the explanation of Doctor Byrd as set forth in his letter of October 20th, and approved the salary arrangement requested by Doctor Byrd, as provided in the revised budget submitted by him with his letter of October 20th, 1938.

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a communication from Messrs. Laurence Hall Fowler and Henry Powell Hopkins, Architects for the New State Office Building, dated October 26th, 1938, recommending that a brick side-

walk around the New State Office Building be provided in lieu of cement sidewalk called for in the plans and specifications.

The Board approved the recommendation and authorized the Architects to take the necessary steps to provide the change.

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a letter from Mr. Henry P. Hopkins and Mr. Laurence Hall Fowler, Associate Architects, dated October 28th, 1938, requesting that they be permitted to award orders for special equipment which is to go into the New State Office Building, for which allowances are made in the contract with the Davis Construction Company to those firms who, in the opinion of the Architects, would give the best results for the sake of the building.

The request was approved.

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a letter from Mr. W. L. Tull, Crisfield, Maryland, to which was attached letter from the New Salisbury Production Credit Association, requesting prompt action on the claim submitted by Mr. Tull for damages to oyster beds in the tredging of the channel in Pocomoke Sound.

The Secretary was instructed to communicate with Mr. Tull and advise him that this matter had been submitted to the Conservation Department, but that the Department had returned the claim with advice that it was their opinion that Mr. Tull's oysters would have suffered only slight damage due to the cutterhead of the dredge disturbing the mud at a considerable distance away from Mr. Tull's oyster lot.

It was recommended that Mr. Tull get in touch with the Conservation Commission, with a view to arriving at some agreement as to the amount of damages suffered by him in the work.

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a letter from Simpson Electrical Company, Annapolis, dated October 25th, 1938, quoting a price of \$201.00 for certain electrical work in connection with the occupancy by Doctor Horace E. Flack of the Department of Legislative Reference, of space in the Old House of Delegates Chamber in the State House at the coming session of the General Assembly of 1939.

The Board authorized that the work be done.

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a list of uncollectible accounts submitted by the University Hospital at September 30th, 1938, totaling \$14,732.00, requesting that authority be granted to write these accounts from the books of the Hospital. After reviewing the list of accounts, the Board approved the request that the items be written off as uncollectible.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

The following amendments were approved -

Public Schools and Vocational Education, dated August 2nd, 1938, applicable to the fiscal year 1939, involving increases of \$2,800, with decreases aggregating a similar amount.

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION, dated August 2nd, 1938, applicable to the fiscal year 1939, involving increases of \$250.00, with decreases aggregating a similar amount.

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Public Schools and State Teachers College at Salisbury, dated August 2nd, 1938, applicable to the fiscal year 1939, involving increases of \$4,055 with decreases aggregating a similar amount.

Public Schools and State Department of Education, dated August 2nd, 1938, applicable to the fiscal year 1939, involving increases of \$2,165.00, with decreases aggregating a similar amount.

State Teachers College Frostburg, dated July 27th, 1938, applicable to the fiscal year 1939, involving increases of \$5,670.00, with decreases aggregating a similar amount.